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SUBJECT:VISIT TO ROMANIA OF OEA DIRECTOR RAUER MEYER

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1. MEYER'S PROPOSED SCHEDULE IS TO ARRIVE BUCHAREST OCT. 24 AND DEPART OCT. 27. HIS VISIT WILL COINCIDE ON OCT. 26TH WITH THAT OF DOD AND ERDA COMPUTER SPECIALISTS WHO WILL BE IN BUCHAREST AT INVITATION OF CDC TO EXAMINE STATE OF ROMANIAN COMPUTER INDUSTRY AND VISIT CDC JOINT VENTURE. MEYERWILL BE TRAVELLING ALONE.

2. OTHER THAN VISIT TO ROM CONTROL DATA PLANT SOMETIME
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ON OCT. 26 WITH ERDA/DOD TEAM, MEYER'S SCEHDULE FOR

OCT.25-26 IS OPEN.BEWT SUGGESTS FOLLOWING VISITS FOR MEYER.

A. DPM PATAN AND OTHER MFT OFFICIALS, PARTICULARLY THOSE IN COOPERATION DIRECTORATE- IF THIS CAN BE ARRANGED, BEWT FEELS IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL. DESPITE

OUR ATTEMPTS AT COMMISSION SESSIONS AND EXPERTS MEETINGS TO EXPLAIN CONTROLS AND HOW THEY WORK, EXPORT ADMINISTRATION REMAINS A MYSTERY TO GOR. SUCH A MEETING COULD CREATE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF BOTH EXPORT ADMINISTRATION POLICIES AND PROCESSES.

B. MINISTER AVRAM (MIN. MACHINE BUILDING) AND/OR DEPUTY MINISTER NECULA -- AS MOST OF OUR CURRENT EXPORT CONTROL PROBLEM CASES INVOLVE THIS MINISTRY, A MEETING AT THIS LEVEL WOULD BE APPROPRIATE. MEYER MET NECULA ON MARCH 23, 1976 DURING ELECTRONICS EXPERTS MEETING IN WASHINGTON.

C. REPRESENTATIVES OF FTO'S ELECTRONUM AND TEHNOIMPORT-EXPORT -- THIS SESSION COULD BE HELD SEPARATELY OR IN CONJUNCTION WITH AN AVRAM/NECULA MEETING. WE WERE THINKING IN PARTICULAR OF V. TRAIYESCU OF ELECTRONUM (WHO WAS PART OF NECULA DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON) AND POSSIBLY T. HARABAGIU OF TEHNO. WE ALSO FEEL IT WOULD BE VERY USEFUL TO HAVE ROMANIAN COMPUTER EXPERT SANDU SEGAL (ALSO PART OF NECULA DELEGATION) PRESENT. HE IMPRESSED US IN MARCH AS MAN MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT ROMANIAN COMPUTER INDUSTRY.

D. IN ADDITION TO MEETINGS WITH GOR OFFICIALS AND IF TIME PERMITS, WE SUGGEST POSSIBLE VISIT TO ROMANIAN PLANT OR FACTORY (IN OR NEAR BUCHAREST) WHERE TECHNOLOGICALLY SOPHISTICATED EQUIPMENT BEING USED. FOR INSTANCE, VISIT TO FACTORY, SUCH AS "23 AUGUST WORKS" IN BUCHAREST, WOULD GIVE MEYER A GOOD LOOK AT SOPHISTICATION OF MACHINE TOOLS BEING USED IN ROMANIA, A FEEL FOR THE ORIGIN OF SUCH IMPORTS AND A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE LEVEL OF ROMANIAN PRO-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DUCTIVE CAPABILITY IN THIS AREA.

3. ABOVE GIVEN AS SUGGESTIONS AND WE LEAVE TO EMBASSY DISCRETION APPROPRIATENESS OF THESE AND OTHER VISITS. IN LIGHT OF CURRENT IMPORTANCE OF EXPORT CONTROL ISSUE TO ROMANIANS, WE VIEW MAXIMUM EXPOSURE OF GOR OFFICIALS TO MEYER AS IMPORTANT. WE HOPE THAT DOWNEY VISIT FOLLOWED QUICKLY BY MEYER VISIT WILL INDICATE TO GOR A

WILLINGNESS ON OUR PART TO TALK ABOUT EXPORT CONTROLS,
EVEN THOUGH WE CANNOT OFTEN GIVE ROMANIANS WHAT THEY
WANT IN LICENSES. THIS DIALOGUE SHOULD BE HELPFUL
TO US WHEN EXPORT CONTROL ISSUE IS RAISED NEXT AT
COMMISSION MEETING IN NOVEMBER.

4. PLEASE ARRANGE HOTEL ACCOMODATIONS FOR 3 NIGHTS.
OCT. 24 (LATE ARRIVAL) 25 AND 26. ROBINSON

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